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Paula Davis brings almost two decades of Finance and Administrative experience to the Department of Economic and Community Development and has served in a focused array of positions with the State of Tennessee.

She presently serves as the Assistant Commissioner of Administration and Policy Services for ECD where she is responsible for overseeing the administration for the legal, policy, personnel, budget and fiscal, internal audit, information systems and research sectors of the department. In addition to her responsibilities within the department, Davis serves as a Governor's appointment to Southern Global Strategies Council of the Southern Growth Policies Board and the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations.

After graduating from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, the West Tennessee native started her career in state government with the Board of Probation and Paroles Administrative Services Division as an account clerk. She then moved to the Department of Human Services where she served as an eligibility determination counselor.

Davis has also served as a Budget Administrative Coordinator for the Department of Finance and Administration's Division of Budget, where her responsibilities ranged from supervising analysts in reviewing and monitoring departmental budgets to assisting in the development and enforcement of policies and procedures for the division. She also has served as the Director of Higher Education Information Systems for the Tennessee Higher Education Commission's Fiscal Affairs sector.

Prior to joining the Department of Economic and Community Development, Davis was a Legislative Budget Analysis Specialist for the Tennessee Legislature Office of Legislative Budget Analysis for five years. During her tenure she advised legislators and designees on matters pertaining to agencies' budget requests and assisted in drafting and reviewing legislation.

Davis is also very involved in a number of organizations and affiliations that reach out to her community. She is a member of the New Visions Baptist Church, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., the University of Tennessee National Alumni Association Women's Council and the Tennessee Department of transportation's Disadvantaged Business Development (DBE) Advisory Board.

She resides in Smyrna, Tennessee with her husband Attorney James G. Davis.

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